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5. A process as claimed in claim 1 [any of claims 1 to 4], wherein at least one partially degraded soybean protein with a degree of hydrolysis of from 0.1 to 20% is used as protective colloid.
6. A process as claimed in claim 1 [any of claims 1 to 5], wherein the carotenoids used are oxygen-containing carotenoids.
10. A carotenoid-containing dry powder obtainable by a process as defined in claim 1 [any of claims 1 to 9].
12. A dry powder as claimed in claim 10 [either of claims 10 or 11], comprising oxygen-containing carotenoids selected from the group consisting of astaxanthin, canthaxanthin, lutein, zeaxanthin, citranaxanthin and ethyl β -apo-8'-carotenoate.
15. The use of the carotenoid-containing dry powders as defined in claim 10 [any of claims 10 to 14] as addition to human foods, pharmaceuticals and/or animal feeds.

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